

Preliminary Amendment
Appln. No.: National Stage of PCT/JP2005/008461

REMARKS

Claims 37 to 68 are presented for examination. Original claims 1 to 36 have been cancelled without prejudice. The claim set presented for examination removes multiple dependency. Claim 37 is similar to original claim 1, but further includes the features of Ge as an n-type impurity (page 4, lines 31-36 of the specification); pits provided on a surface of the higher concentration layer (page 5, lines 3-7); the higher and lower concentration layers are provided in an alternate and periodic manner (page 5, lines 17-21); and having a repetition number of 10 to 1000 (page 5, lines 32-36). Claims 38 to 68 correspond to various other original claims of the PCT application. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,



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